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SUBJ: RABBI KAHANE INDICTED BY GOI FOR JDL CAMPAIGN URGING ARABS
TO EMIGRATE FROM ISRAEL

1. ACCORDING TO APRIL 30 ISRAELI PRESS, JERUSALEM DISTRICT
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FILED INDICTMENTS APRIL 29 AGAINST JDL LEADER
MEIR KAHANE AND JDL ACTIVIST JOEL LERNER FOR INCITING ARABS
IN ISRAEL AND OCCUPIED TERRITORIES TO HOSTILITY AGAINST ISRAELI
JEWS. CHARGES GROW OUT OF LETTER CAMPAIGN INITIATED BY KAHANE
AND JDL IN JAN 1973 URGING ARABS AND DRUSE TO EMIGRATE FROM
ISRAEL AND OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, AND OFFERING THEM FINANCIAL AID
TO DO SO. LEGAL BASIS OF INDICTMENT IS 1938 LAW OF SEDITION
(CARRIED OVER FROM BRITISH MANDATE) WHICH INTER ALIA MAKES IT
A CRIMINAL OFFENSE "TO PROMOTE FEELINGS OF ILL-WILL OR HOSTILITY
BETWEEN DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF THE POPULATION OF ISRAEL." MAXIMUM
PENALTY UNDER THIS PROVISION IS TWO YEARS IMPRISONMENT.

2. DATE FOR TRIAL UNDER THIS CHARGE EVIDENTLY HAS NOT BEEN SET.
KAHANE IS ALSO UNDER INDICTMENT FOR ALLEGEDLY ATTEMPTING TO
SMUGGLE ARMS OUT OF ISRAEL TO JDL ACTIVISTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES.

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AND LERNER HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH ARSON AGAINST A MISSIONARY CENTER IN JERUSALEM LAST FEBRUARY.
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